

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

North Dakota Department of Health schedules media conference call to discuss the state's first West Nile virus-related death in 2006

BISMARCK, N.D. – To answer media questions about the state's first West Nile virus-related death in 2006, the North Dakota Department of Health will hold a telephone media availability Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2006, at 4 p.m. The following department officials will participate in the 4 p.m. conference call:

- Kirby Kruger, state epidemiologist
- Dr. John Baird, field medical officer
- Michelle Feist, West Nile Virus Surveillance coordinator
- Tracy Miller, West Nile Virus Program manager

To connect to the conference call, the media is asked to dial 866.637.9769. If you have trouble connecting, call 701.328.2378.

Members of the media who wish to attend in person can meet at 4 p.m. in Audio Visual Room 210 on the second floor of the Judicial Wing at the State Capitol Building, Bismarck N.D.

For more information about the conference call, contact Loreeta Leer Frank or Stacy Eberl, public information officers, at 701.328.2372.

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